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You've got to be joking.

The terms of the proposed "settlement" seem little more than an outright surrender. Guess that the DOJ is too worried about homeland security now to care about the fact Microsoft has established and is maintaining one of the most extensive and aggressive monopolies in decades.

Let's recall that Microsoft has been found guilty, repeatedly, by various courts and judges, of criminal violations. Let's recall that their behavior hasn't changed a bit throughout the period. Let's recall that its representatives have been caught telling outright lies to the courts. And now let's ask ourselves if extracting a promise to be better is really an effective solution. The answer should be obvious. Alas, it appears to have eluded our fine DOJ. So just in case you couldn't guess, the answer is "NO".

I'm surprised the judge would allow her intelligence to be insulted in this manner.

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